

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
July 13, 2023

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members FROM: Lisa Kim, City Manager

I. DEPARTMENT ITEMS

- A. A Copy of the Mayor's letter of support for AB 1027 (Petrie-Norris) Fentanyl Trafficking: Social Media.
- B. CITY CLERK'S OFFICE
List of Records Requests for June 2023

II. ITEMS FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES, OUTSIDE AGENCIES, BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS

- A. FALCK MOBILE HEALTH CORP (dba Care Ambulance)
City of Garden Grove Compliance Report – May 2023

• **OTHER ITEMS**

- SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS AND NEWSPAPER ARTICLES
Copies of the week's social media posts and local newspaper articles are attached for your information.
- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS
Items of interest are included.


Lisa Kim
City Manager



CITY OF GARDEN GROVE

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July 11, 2023

The Honorable Cottie Petrie-Norris
California State Assembly, AD 74
P.O. Box 942849
Sacramento, CA 94249

RE: AB 1027 (Petrie-Norris) Fentanyl Trafficking: Social Media.
Notice of Support

Dear Assembly Member Petrie-Norris:

The City of Garden Grove writes in support of AB 1027, which aims to prevent fentanyl poisoning by enacting more stringent data collection and storage requirements for social media companies. This small step will help law enforcement in their fight to stop online fentanyl sales and seek to address the significant number of opioid-related deaths in California.

A recent study by the Centers for Disease Control and Protection named fentanyl the deadliest drug in the United States. Fentanyl is often disguised as other synthetic opioids or drugs, then sold on the street to users who are unaware that fentanyl is a key ingredient. Users who unknowingly ingest these substances believing they are taking a less powerful drug are much more susceptible to overdose or even death. In fact, the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) recently released a warning on the sharp increase in fake prescription drugs containing fentanyl.

Illegal drug sellers have capitalized on the easy communication and anonymity of social media sites to target pre-teens, teens and unhoused youth. For instance, some social media platforms have chat settings designed to erase chat history after just a few hours. This makes it incredibly difficult for law enforcement to track and prosecute online fentanyl traffickers.

There is a need – and critical opportunity – for social media companies to assume a larger role in combatting the online trafficking of illicit drugs that is occurring on their platforms.

AB 1027 will require social media companies to post in their policy statement and in their biannual report to the Attorney General a general description of their policy regarding accounts that have been actioned for drug related offenses and how long information related to those accounts is retained. The bill will also require will require a social media company to retain data on the actioned content for 90 days. Finally,

AB 1027 (Petrie-Norris) Fentanyl Trafficking: Social Media.

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AB 1027 creates a clear and designated point of contact in the Attorney General's office to direct proactive reports from social media companies related specifically to drug activity where an imminent threat to life is identified by the platform.

For these reasons, the City of Garden Grove supports AB 1027.

Sincerely,



Steve Jones
Mayor

c: Senator Tom Umberg, 34th District, (Ysa.Lu@sen.ca.gov)

Senator Janet Nguyen, 36th District, (Jenny.Tran@sen.ca.gov)

Assembly Member Cottie Petrie-Norris, 74th District (assemblymember.petrie-norris@assembly.ca.gov)

Assembly Member Tri Ta, 70th District, (Hauwie.Tieu@asm.ca.gov)

Connor Medina, League of California Cities, (CMedina@calcities.org)

Meg Desmond, League of California Cities, (cityletters@calcities.org)

Lauren Kline, ACCOC, (lkline@accoc.org)

Montly Requests Log

#	Submitted	Request	Department	Due	Closed
8560	05/31/23	copy of R2BUILD's bid proposal package from today's 11AM Bid, please for the SCADA Master Plan	Public Works	06/23/23	06/21/23
8561	05/31/23	05-31-2023 ALL DOCUMENTS Discussion of the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 and 2024/2025 Biennial Budget.	Finance	06/12/23	06/12/23
8562	05/31/23	05-31-2023 Request documents for city of garden grove banner pole at Chapman between / Coveyway and Promenade north side and south side of Chapman. # 1 . When was the poles installed. #2 . Who is responsible maintain the banner post. # 3. Wha...	Public Works	06/12/23	06/07/23
8563	05/31/23	05-31-2023 Request document for banner post date was installed with the cost when purchase, # 2. who is responsible to maintain banner post ? # 3. When was last usages posting any banners.	Public Works Economic Development	06/26/23	06/23/23
8564	06/01/23	Hello, I am a records research engineer for CHC Consulting, a contractor for AT&T. We are currently planning a fiber cable installation project in 13220 Harbor Blvd, Garden Grove, CA 92843, United States. and I'm hoping you can provide some inf...		06/12/23	06/01/23
8565	06/01/23	Hello, Please provide all code enforcements documents that can be shared with regards to the property at 12241 CLIFFWOOD AVE. Thank you.	Economic Development Community Development	06/26/23	06/26/23

#	Submitted	Request	Department	Due	Closed
8569	06/03/23	To the Kind attention of Mrs. Corinne Hoffman (Business Tax Supervisor), My Name is: Mohamed Mostafa and recently and to my surprise, California Franchise Tax Board sent me a notice stating that I owe them back taxes from 2010. When I calle...	Finance	06/15/23	06/12/23
8570	06/03/23	Hi, I would like request my home blueprints, as-built prints, or any house plan drawings that are available, preferably in electronic format. 13352 Dawn Ave Garden Grove, CA 92840 Thank you,		06/15/23	06/05/23
8571	06/04/23	Approved building permits for 8042 Larson Ave, Garden Grove		06/15/23	06/05/23
8572	06/05/23	can i get the listing for new businesses for the month of May sent in excel, thank you.		06/15/23	06/12/23
8573	06/06/23	I am requesting bid abstracts for all Pavement and Park projects the City has awarded/closed from Jan 2022 to now. If you have a spreadsheet that tabulated the bid results for each Pavement project and Park project showing the line items with the ...	Public Works	06/19/23	06/19/23
8574	06/06/23	Hello Sir/ Madam I am requesting an opportunity to inspect or obtain copies of public records. Please provide the following open records from (1/01/2022 - 05/06/2023): 1) Utilities shut off I only need property addresses. I do not want a...	Finance	07/03/23	07/03/23
8575	06/06/23	We are working on a fiber project near 12931 Chapman Ave, Garden Grove, CA. We are requesting substructure maps (water, sewer, and storm drains) to make sure we are clear. Please let me know if you are able to provide these maps for our use. T...		06/19/23	06/06/23

#	Submitted	Request	Department	Due	Closed
8576	06/06/23	We are working on a fiber project near 10241 Westminster Ave, Garden Grove, CA 92843. We are requesting substructure maps (water, sewer, and storm drains) to make sure we are clear. Please let me know if you are able to provide these maps for ou...		06/19/23	06/06/23
8577	06/06/23	We are working on a fiber project near 10511 Kedge Ave, Garden Grove, CA 92843. We are requesting substructure maps (water, sewer, and storm drains) to make sure we are clear. Please let me know if you are able to provide these maps for our use....		06/16/23	06/06/23
8579	06/06/23	We are doing an environmental site assessment on the property and would like to know if there are any records in regards to underground/aboveground storage tanks, hazardous materials, hazardous waste, septic tanks, and/or any clarifiers on the pro...	City Manager Public Works	07/03/23	06/28/23
8580	06/07/23	Good afternoon, I am working on behalf of Cox Communications to obtain a copy of the Certificate of Liability Insurance for the company V&A Tree Service that covers the date 12/10/2022. Does the city of Garden Grove CA have a record of liabi...	Finance	06/19/23	06/19/23
8581	06/07/23	Good Afternoon, I wanted to submit a public records request regarding a motor vehicle accident that occurred on 5/19 at approx. 2:45 AM near 10656 Garden Grove Blvd. Can the city provide surveillance footage for the above mentioned accident?		06/19/23	06/09/23
8582	06/07/23	dear city clerk office, any available building floor plans, architectural/structural drawing (as-build). my house address is 11091 ivanhoe street, graden grove, ca 92840.		06/17/23	06/07/23
8583	06/08/23	Dear City of Garden Grove, Can you please provide all permit records and current and past Cert of Occupancies for this property? 11652 Monarch St & 7271 Doig Dr, Garden Grove CA Thank you.		06/18/23	06/09/23

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8584	06/08/23	Can I get a copy of all the new business licenses for the Month of May? This is a separate, not duplicate request from the other, similar request. Thanks.		06/18/23	06/09/23
8585	06/08/23	Can I get a copy of all the new business licenses for the Month of May? This is a separate, not duplicate request from the other, similar request. Thanks.		06/18/23	06/09/23
8587	06/09/23	Hi, how do I request my 911 transcript for a paramedic call made? Can I get a copy of what the paramedics stated? How soon can I receive it by email? Best Regards, Hadeel		06/19/23	06/09/23
8588	06/09/23	Looking for the Fire Department report of a fire that occurred on and at: Date of Incident: March 30, 2023 Loss Location: 12532 Valley View Street, Garden Grove, CA 92845		06/22/23	06/12/23
8589	06/10/23	I am requesting all incomes and outcomes of animals from OC Humane Society for the period of 5/1/2023 - 5/31/2023. This would include all May intakes (strays, owner surrenders, returns, transfers in) and all May adoptions, redeemed, transfers out,...	Public Works	06/22/23	06/19/23
8590	06/11/23	Hello City Clerk, I am a California architect doing a property condition assessment for 13632 S. Euclid Street in Garden Grove, CA. I am seeking to find out if there are currently any outstanding building code violations at this subject property....		06/22/23	06/12/23
8591	06/12/23	We are submitting a building alteration permit and need archived permits for 10801 Garden Grove Blvd, Garden Grove CA 92843		06/22/23	06/14/23
8592	06/12/23	Permit Drawings for 7900 Garden Grove Blvd.		06/22/23	06/14/23
8593	06/12/23	06-12-2023 Request all memos and policy to the completion to the Medal of Honor bike Trail Park from Nelson to Brookhurst not just trees. # 1 document why the trail is not included in the report green space as a park in City reported. council ag...	Economic Development Public Works Community Services Information Technology	07/06/23	07/06/23

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8594	06/13/23	Hello, my name is Collin and I work with Accutrend Data and I would like to request a listing of new businesses that filed in your city/county/town/village, for the time period of 05/01/2023 – 05/31/2023. The Information should include: BUSINESS ...		06/23/23	06/14/23
8595	06/13/23	All records responsive to Request #8296, which appears to have been closed by your agency on February 3, 2023. All records of communications between any employee, representative, or agent of the City of Garden Grove and the requestor of Reque...	City Manager	06/26/23	06/26/23
8597	06/13/23	Can I get a copy of the site plan and floor plan for the previous owner named NGOC HUE RESTAURANT located 10212 Westminster Ave. #113 Garden Grove, Ca 92843 Primary Owner name: Duong, Trong Duc His Beer & Wine license was in April 07, 2009...		06/26/23	06/14/23
8598	06/14/23	please provide copies of any open/ unresolved Zoning and Building Code Violations on file at this time for the property located at 7900 Garden Grove Boulevard Parcel: 096-281-09 Please do not exceed \$25.00 in fee's prior to approval. Thank you...	Economic Development Community Development	06/26/23	06/23/23
8599	06/14/23	Hello, I would like to request permitted room and bathroom count for the following address. 9632 Katella Ave. Anaheim, CA 92804. This is with in Garden Grove city. You can please call at 562-242-6278 or email to wleon@amedrealty.com		06/24/23	06/14/23
8600	06/15/23	Please send any copy of "high-piled storage permit" from the past or provide permit numbers. We had a high-piled permits years ago. Was told it was not necessary, but after recent fire inspection, inspector requires it. Thank you.	Economic Development	06/26/23	06/26/23
8601	06/15/23	Bid Results for Arterial Street Rehabilitation Project 2023 and subs listed for low bidder if available		06/26/23	06/19/23
8602	06/17/23	I would like to pull all permits for my home at 12002 Jacalene Lane, Garden Grove, CA including plan drawings		06/29/23	06/19/23

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8603	06/19/23	All business records, including business licenses, for Integrity Towing, Inc., from 1/1/2011 to present.	Finance	07/13/23	07/07/23
8604	06/19/23	All business records, including business licenses, for Yaco Investments, Inc., from 1/1/2011 to present.	Finance	07/13/23	07/07/23
8605	06/19/23	All business records, including business licenses, for Irvine Auto Towing, Inc., from 1/1/2011 to present.	Finance	07/13/23	07/07/23
8606	06/19/23	All business records, including business licenses, filed by Andi Yaco, aka Andi Yaqo, from 1/1/2011 to present.	Finance	07/13/23	07/07/23
8607	06/19/23	All business records, including business licenses, filed by Aram Yaco, aka Aram Yaqo, from 1/1/2011 to present.	Finance	07/13/23	07/07/23
8608	06/19/23	All business records, including business licenses, filed by Noel Yaco, aka Noel Yaqo, from 1/1/2011 to present.	Finance	07/13/23	07/07/23
8609	06/19/23	Please provide the copy of the bid results for todays bid for Magnolia Park Improvement Project at 11:00 am. My email is aaron@pubconstruction.com		06/21/23	06/21/23
8610	06/20/23	Can you please provide me with a site plan for the property address below. I'm looking for in unit layout and exterior plans.	Economic Development Community Development	07/03/23	06/21/23
8611	06/20/23	This request is in regards to an Environmental Site Assessment being done for the following address: 11262 Garden Grove Boulevard, Garden Grove, California 92843. APN: 100-013-45. Please provide all documents related to Underground Storage Ta...	City Manager Public Works	07/17/23	
8614	06/21/23	Hello, I am a records research engineer for CHC Consulting, a contractor for AT&T. We are currently planning a fiber cable installation project in Garden Grove; CA and I'm hoping you can provide some information. Our project is servicing 115...		07/01/23	06/23/23

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8615	06/21/23	Request Code: 12637043 Date: 06/20/23 On behalf of our customers who are contractors & suppliers, we request updated plan-holder, bid tabulation and contract award information AS IT IS AVAILABLE on the following solicitation. Please correct an...		07/01/23	06/21/23
8616	06/21/23	11100 Rainier Ct Garden Grove, CA 92841 We are going to add an area to he existing house, one energy pole is inside the property and we want to make sure how can affect it new construction or if an easement property exists. Building record can...		07/02/23	06/22/23
8617	06/21/23	Copies of Building permits for 9818 Grouse Ct., Garden Grove		07/02/23	06/22/23
8618	06/22/23	Requesting Architect, Civil Engineer contact info/Plans. 8722 Garden Grove Boulevard, Garden Grove, CA 92844	Economic Development Community Development	07/03/23	06/28/23
8619	06/22/23	Building Permits and Certificate of Occupancy for 7900 Garden Grove Blvd., Garden Grove, CA		07/03/23	06/23/23
8620	06/22/23	requesting to review any permits that have been issued to my residents at 5451 Vanguard ave Garden Grove ca 92845.		07/03/23	06/23/23
8622	06/23/23	Reference: Hospitality Inn 7900 Garden Grove Avenue Garden Grove, CA 92841 Partner Project No. 23-403616.2 Dear Records Officer, Partner Engineering and Science, a national Real Estate Due Diligence Firm, is preparing a Property Co...	Economic Development Community Development	07/06/23	06/28/23
8623	06/26/23	Please provide a copy of Site Plan No. SP-120-73. Please do not exceed \$25 in fees without prior notice and approval. Thank you! (Our ref# 166835-1)	Community Development	07/06/23	07/03/23
8624	06/26/23	I would like to request all building permits and plan drawings/layout of my property at 12102 Morrie Ln, Garden Grove, CA 92840		07/07/23	06/27/23

#	Submitted	Request	Department	Due	Closed
8625	06/27/23	<p>Hello,</p> <p>Please provide all code enforcements documents that can be shared with regards to the property at 13641 LANNING ST.</p> <p>Thank you</p>	Economic Development Community Development	07/24/23	07/13/23
8626	06/28/23	<p>Calls for Service at 12801 Brookhurst St., #1342, Garden Grove, CA., from 1/1/2021 to present.</p>		07/10/23	06/28/23
8629	06/29/23	<p>Hello,</p> <p>I would like to request a completed copy of case#190656 for our records.</p> <p>Mr. Hernandez did his final inspection on 06/26/2023 and said everything was to code.</p>	Economic Development Community Development	07/10/23	07/10/23
8630	06/29/23	<p>With regard to that section of 9th Street between Chapman Avenue and Orangewood Avenue, when was the speed limit increased from 35 MPH to 40 MPH and why?</p> <p>Thank you.</p>		07/10/23	06/29/23
8631	06/29/23	<p>I would like to request original building permits, demo permits, permits concerning underground storage tanks, septic systems and/or clarifiers, permits concerning hazardous materials storage and/or generation for 12686, 12688 and 12692 Garden Gro...</p>	City Manager Public Works	07/24/23	07/12/23
8632	06/29/23	<p>Hello,</p> <p>I would like to request all permits for the property located at 12322 FALLINGLEAF ST, GARDEN GROVE, CA 92840-4211.</p> <p>Thank you,</p>		07/13/23	07/03/23



CITY OF GARDEN GROVE COMPLIANCE REPORT – MAY 2023

Falck Mobile Health Corp. (dba Care Ambulance) compliance data for May 2023 shows a total of **1,095 responses**, with 1067 of those being “On-Time” - Code 2 responses at **98.09%** and Code 3 at **96.37%**. Total aggregate compliance average of calls (both Code 2 & Code 3) was **97.44%**

Average Response Time for all calls in the Month of May was **7 Minutes and 40 seconds**.

*The provided data is “raw data” and does not include any exemption request approvals into OCFA & following graph information indicates trends in service and not intended for exact measurements (+/- 1%)

Call Type (City)	Responses	On-Time	Compliance %
Garden Grove CODE 2*	682	669	98.09%
Garden Grove CODE 3*	413	398	96.37%
Garden Grove COMBINED*	1095	1067	97.44%

One of the major factors in regard to our compliance rate, is the increase in “destination time” or “Ambulance Patient Offload Time” (APOT) for all 911 Units. This metric measures the amount of time crews spend at a hospital from the time they arrive with the patient, up until the time they become an available resource into the 911

AMBULANCE PATIENT OFFLOAD TIME AT HOSPITAL

Drop off	# Transports	Dest. time (min)
GARDEN GROVE MEDICAL CENT...	268	40.34
UCI MEDICAL CENTER (OLD HOS...	136	40.18
WEST ANAHEIM MEDICAL CENT...	88	53.68
ST JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL	72	41.16
FOUNTAIN VALLEY REGIONAL H...	62	44.34
LOS ALAMITOS MEDICAL CENTER	45	50.50
CHILDRENS HOSPITAL OF ORAN...	32	39.07
ORANGE COAST MEMORIAL HOS...	21	37.79
KAISER - ANAHEIM	19	46.63

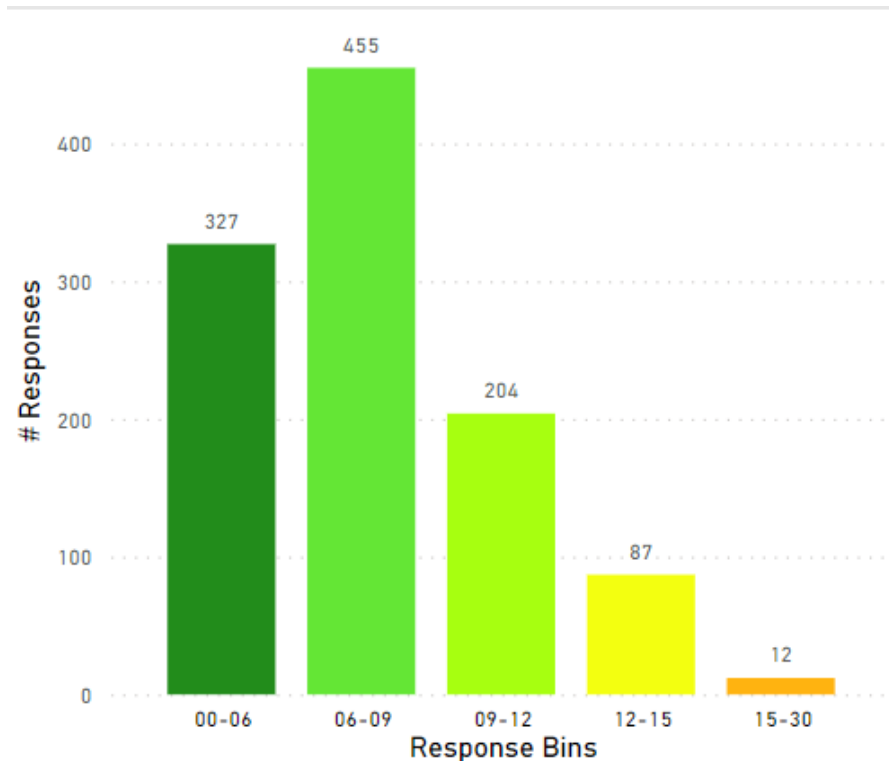
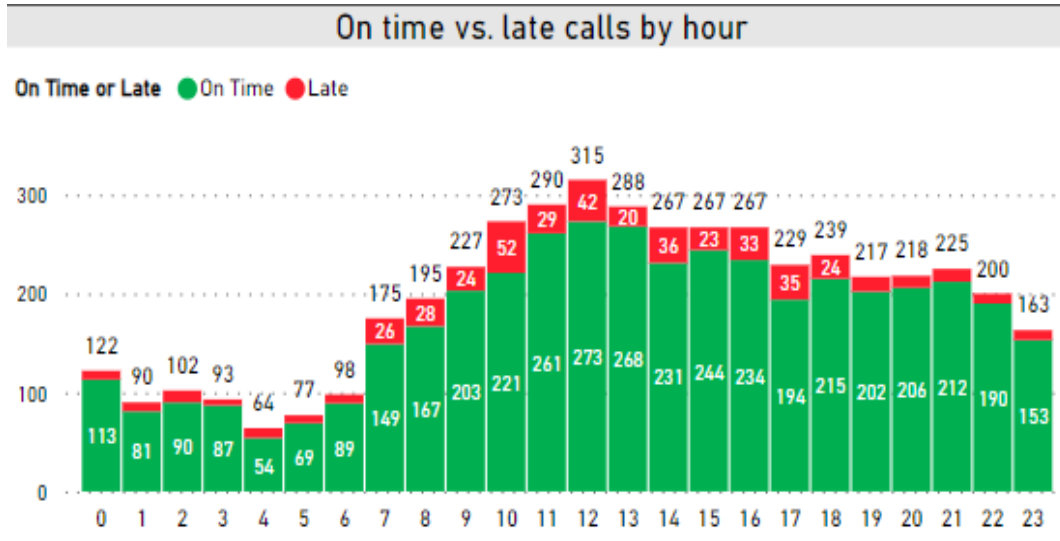
system. This time is heavily dependent on Hospital Staff taking over responsibility of the patient. The Orange County EMS (OCEMS) standard is 30 minutes or less in all OC Hospitals. We are continually in contact and actively working w/ OCEMS and Hospitals to alleviate crew wait times throughout Orange County. The below graph indicates APOT for Hospitals with > 15 transports in the month May for Garden Grove Units. We continue to see improvements over the past several months.

Out of the 1095 responses to emergency 911 calls for service, 765 resulted in transports. This equates to approx. **70% of total emergency responses resulting in a patient transport.**



The graph below shows the On-time vs. late calls “by hour” is provided below and indicates total calls per hour in a 24-hour period (over the month of May) with green depicting total “on-time” calls & red as total “late” (top # above each bar indicates Total Amount of calls per hour).

Peak call-time (meaning most calls of day) falls at 1200 (Noon) and lowest being 4am.



Finally, the graph to the left, assists us internally with determining the range of response times (time it takes us from call to arriving on-scene). “Response Bins” are broken into 5 bars depicting total number of minutes it took Unit to respond for total # of responses. (Example: The majority of responses fell between 6 and 9 minutes, which equaled 455 responses).

WEEKLY MEMO 7-13-2023

SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS



Post Performance

July 6, 2023 – July 12, 2023

Review the lifetime performance of the posts you published during the publishing period.

Included in this Report

 @CityGardenGrove

 Garden Grove City Hall

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@CityGardenGrove

Wed 7/12/2023 5:34 pm PDT

Today, we launched the new BOOST (Business Operations and Optimization Support Tool) program, in partnership wit...



Impressions	340
Potential Reach	7,973
Engagements	6
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.8%



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Wed 7/12/2023 5:34 pm PDT

City Launches New Program to Provide Free Services to Childcare Businesses
Today, we launched the new BOOST...



Impressions	531
Reach	469
Engagements	8
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.5%



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Wed 7/12/2023 5:34 pm PDT

City Launches New Program to Provide Free Services to Childcare Businesses
Today, we launched the new BOOST...



Impressions	75
Reach	75
Engagements	1
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.3%



@CityGardenGrove

Wed 7/12/2023 3:54 pm PDT

#GardenGrove District 1 business owners, this one's for you! The District 1 Small Business Outreach resource event ...



Impressions	169
Potential Reach	4,653
Engagements	7
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.1%



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Wed 7/12/2023 3:54 pm PDT

#GardenGrove District 1 business owners, this one's for you! The District 1 Small Business Outreach resource event is nex...



Impressions	471
Reach	343
Engagements	11
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.3%



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Wed 7/12/2023 3:53 pm PDT

#GardenGrove District 1 business owners, this one's for you! The District 1 Small Business Outreach resource event is nex...



Impressions	180
Reach	178
Engagements	4
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.2%



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Tue 7/11/2023 5:31 pm PDT

On Saturday, July 15, 2023, from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., traffic on Chapman Avenue, from Grant Place to Lewis Street, will be...



Impressions	1,481
Reach	1,262
Engagements	36
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.4%



@CityGardenGrove

Tue 7/11/2023 5:30 pm PDT

On 7/15, from 2-6 PM, traffic on Chapman Ave, from Grant Pl to Lewis St, will be reduced to one lane to allow for the Mari...



Impressions	183
Potential Reach	4,655
Engagements	11
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	6%



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Tue 7/11/2023 5:30 pm PDT

On Saturday, July 15, 2023, from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., traffic on Chapman Avenue, from Grant Place to Lewis Street, will be...



Impressions	1,912
Reach	1,912
Engagements	62
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.2%



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Tue 7/11/2023 4:54 pm PDT

⚠ Garden Grove Water Services has an emergency shutdown on Brookshire, for approximately 45-60 minutes. We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your patience. #GG1956

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Impressions	148
Potential Reach	4,655
Engagements	3
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2%



@CityGardenGrove

Tue 7/11/2023 2:11 pm PDT

Join the @GardenGrovePD at #NationalNightOut2023 on Tuesday, August 1, 2023, from 5 PM to 8 PM, in fro...



Impressions	142
Potential Reach	4,655
Engagements	3
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.1%



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Tue 7/11/2023 2:11 pm PDT

Join the @gardengrovepd at #NationalNightOut2023 on Tuesday, August 1, 2023, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00...



Impressions	588
Reach	544
Engagements	13
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.2%



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Tue 7/11/2023 2:10 pm PDT

Join the Garden Grove Police Department at #NationalNightOut2023 on Tuesday, August 1, 2023, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00...



Impressions	308
Reach	308
Engagements	16
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.2%



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Mon 7/10/2023 5:43 pm PDT

Have you checked out Garden Grove's Parks and Recreation Guide? The Summer 2023 Parks and Recreation Guide has...



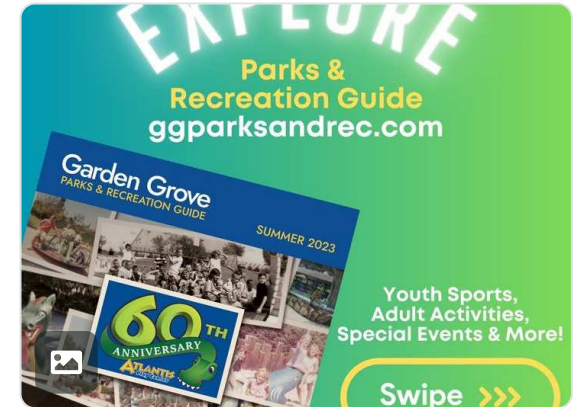
Impressions	706
Reach	476
Engagements	12
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.7%



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Mon 7/10/2023 5:43 pm PDT

Have you checked out Garden Grove's Parks and Recreation Guide? The Summer 2023 Parks and Recreation Guide has...



Impressions	1,822
Reach	1,487
Engagements	207
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	11.4%



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Mon 7/10/2023 1:52 pm PDT

This is a friendly reminder that tomorrow's #GardenGrove City Council meeting is cancelled. The next meeting will be on...



Impressions	910
Reach	838
Engagements	10
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.1%



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Mon 7/10/2023 1:52 pm PDT

This is a friendly reminder that tomorrow's #GardenGrove City Council meeting is cancelled. The next meeting will be on...



Impressions	216
Potential Reach	4,655
Engagements	13
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	6%



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Mon 7/10/2023 1:52 pm PDT

This is a friendly reminder that tomorrow's #GardenGrove City Council meeting is cancelled. The next meeting will be on...



Impressions	197
Reach	193
Engagements	5
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.5%



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Fri 7/7/2023 12:00 pm PDT

Swipe to see some of the events happening at your local library! For a full list of events, visit ocpl.org/events...



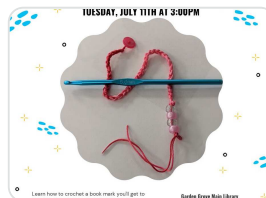
Impressions	140
Potential Reach	4,655
Engagements	12
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	8.6%



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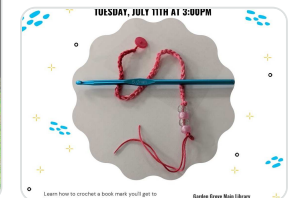
Impressions	367
Potential Reach	4,655
Engagements	6
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.6%




gardengrovecityhall

Fri 7/7/2023 12:00 pm PDT


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Impressions	2,494
Reach	1,905
Engagements	108
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.3%

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
 Fri 7/7/2023 12:00 pm PDT


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Impressions	1,963
Reach	1,597
Engagements	113
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.8%

 **@CityGardenGrove**
 Thu 7/6/2023 4:51 pm PDT


!! The @OCVector has detected a human case of flea-borne typhus in #GardenGrove. The key to preventing...



Impressions	442
Potential Reach	5,645
Engagements	30
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	6.8%

 **gardengrovecityhall**
 Thu 7/6/2023 4:49 pm PDT

!! The @ocvectorcontrol has detected a human case of flea-borne typhus in #GardenGrove. The key to preventing thi...



Impressions	4,720
Reach	4,105
Engagements	153
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.2%



Garden Grove City Hall

Thu 7/6/2023 4:49 pm PDT

!! The Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District has detected a human case of flea-borne typhus in...



Impressions	398
Reach	371
Engagements	49
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	12.3%



Post Performance

July 6, 2023 – July 12, 2023

Review the lifetime performance of the posts you published during the publishing period.

Included in this Report

 Garden Grove Police Department



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Tue 7/11/2023 9:20 am PDT

Event Reminder: Please join us today, Tuesday, July 11th from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM for "Dog Days of Summer" event,...



Impressions	1,717
Reach	1,700
Engagements	57
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.3%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Mon 7/10/2023 8:01 pm PDT

Join us on Tuesday, August 1, 2023 from 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM as we host #NationalNightOut2023 at...



Impressions	661
Reach	661
Engagements	62
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	9.4%




Garden Grove Police Depa...

Sat 7/8/2023 12:00 pm PDT

Outreach & Cleanup Recap: this week, #GardenGrovePD's Special Resource Team (SRT) collaborated with Be Well OC and...



Impressions	2,199
Reach	2,144
Engagements	447
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	20.3%

 **Garden Grove Police Depa...**
Thu 7/6/2023 6:00 pm PDT

#DidYouKnow, it has been over a year since the launch of the #GardenGrovePD Support Canine Program? The...



Impressions	4,231
Reach	3,690
Engagements	286
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	6.8%

WEEKLY MEMO 7-13-2023

NEWS ARTICLES

The Tribune
July 12, 2023

G. Grove Chamber Man and Woman of the Year announced



JOE HAMMER and ANDREA PEREZ.

Joe Hammer and Andrea Perez have been chosen as the 2023-2024 Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce Man and Woman of the Year.

They will be honored at the 116th Annual Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce Gala Dinner and Awards on Friday, Aug. 25 at the Anaheim Marriott Suites.

Hammer, 93, has been involved in the community in many ways and venues including the Rotary Club, the military (Air Force and National Guard), chamber of commerce and others.

He started his own moving and storage business in 1980 in Anaheim, moving it to Garden Grove in 1995.

Perez is the immediate past president of the Garden Grove Strawberry Festival Association. has been a city commissioner and involved in many other community service projects.

She works in the library at Garden Park Elementary School, a part of the Garden Grove Unified School District.

The Tribune
July 12, 2023

Marian Days come to Cathedral



CHRIST CATHEDRAL in Garden Grove (File photo).

The second annual Marian Days event will be held at the Christ Cathedral in Garden Grove on July 14 and 15.

It's the main festival and pilgrimage for Vietnamese Americans.

Heavy traffic is expected and motorists are advised to plan accordingly.

On Saturday, July 15, a section of Chapman Avenue will be reduced to one lane from 2-6 p.m. for the Rosary Procession. Residents should anticipate increased traffic in the area.

The Garden Grove Police Department's Traffic Unit will be present to direct traffic and suggest alternate routes.

The procession will start at 4 p.m. inside the Christ Cathedral campus, traveling east on Chapman Avenue and south on Lewis Street before returning to the campus.

For street closure information, contact the Garden Grove Police Department at (714) 741-5704.



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Tuesday, July 11, 2023



HEAVY TRAFFIC, TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES DURING DIOCESE OF ORANGE MARIAN DAYS EVENT

From Friday, July 14, through Saturday, July 15, 2023, the second annual Marian Days event will take place at the Christ Cathedral, located at 13280 Chapman Avenue. During the two-day event, heavy traffic is anticipated in the immediate area. Motorists are asked to plan accordingly to avoid delays.

On Saturday, July 15, 2023, from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., traffic on Chapman Avenue, from Grant Place to Lewis Street, will be reduced to one lane to allow for the Rosary Procession. Residents in the area should expect heavier traffic in the area.

The Garden Grove Police Department's Traffic Unit will be onsite during closure times to direct traffic and suggest alternate routes.

The Rosary Procession begins at 4:00 p.m., inside the Christ Cathedral Campus. The procession will travel east on Chapman Avenue, heading south on Lewis Street, before looping back into the Christ Cathedral Campus.

For street closure information, contact the Garden Grove Police Department at (714) 741-5704.

For event information, visit www.melavang-oc.org.

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Monday, July 10, 2023



POLICE DEPARTMENT INVITES COMMUNITY TO NATIONAL NIGHT OUT EVENT

The community is invited to join the Garden Grove Police Department (GGPD) at the annual National Night Out, a free community-building event featuring family activities, giveaways, live demonstrations, and raffle prizes on Tuesday, August 1, 2023, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The event will take place in front of the Garden Grove Police Headquarters, located at 11301 Acacia Parkway.

Event attendees can meet Garden Grove officers, crime prevention officers, and GGPD's three support canines, as well as participate in contests and try on police gear. Other activities include public safety demonstrations by the K-9 unit and the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) unit. Attendees will also learn about neighborhood watch programs and how to get involved with GGPD's Community Liaison Division.

Parking will be available at the following locations:

- First Baptist Church, 12761 Euclid Street
- Purcell Building, 11277 Garden Grove Boulevard
- Garden Grove Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue
- Garden Grove High School, 11271 Stanford Avenue

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POLICE DEPARTMENT INVITES COMMUNITY TO NATIONAL NIGHT OUT EVENT
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- Healthy Aging Center Acacia, 11391 Acacia Parkway
- SteelCraft Garden Grove, 12900 S Euclid Street

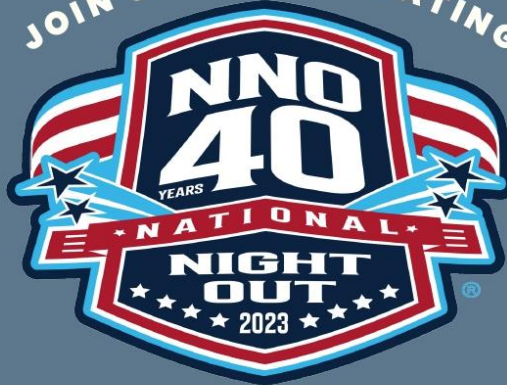
On Tuesday, August 1, 2023, the following streets will be closed to traffic and “No Parking” will be enforced from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

- Civic Center Drive, from Acacia Parkway to Garden Grove Boulevard
- Acacia Parkway, from 7th Street to Garden Grove City Hall, at 11222 Acacia Parkway

For more information, visit ggcity.org/events/nno2023 or contact the Garden Grove Police Department’s Community Liaison Division at (714) 741-5760 or email at crimeprevention@ggcity.org



JOIN US IN CELEBRATING



TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2023
5 PM - 8 PM

GARDEN GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT
11301 ACACIA PARKWAY

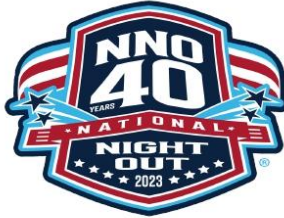
FREE EVENT | LIVE DEMONSTRATIONS | GIVEAWAYS & MORE!



FOR MORE INFORMATION: CRIMEPREVENTION@GGCITY.ORG | 714-741-5760

PARKING

- **PURCELL BUILDING: 11277 GARDEN GROVE BLVD**
- **GG COMMUNITY MEETING CENTER: 11300 STANFORD AVE**
- **GARDEN GROVE HIGH SCHOOL: 11271 STANFORD AVE**
- **HEALTHY AGING CENTER: 11391 ACACIA PKWY**
- **FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH: 12761 EUCLID ST**
- **STEELCRAFT: 12900 S. EUCLID ST**



ACOMPAÑANOS EN CELEBRAR

MARTES 1 DE AGOSTO DEL 2023 | 5PM – 8PM

DEPARTAMENTO DE POLICÍA DE GARDEN GROVE: 11301 ACACIA PARKWAY

¡EVENTO GRATUITO, DEMONSTRACIONES EN VIVO, RIFAS DE PREMIOS, Y MUCHO MÁS!

ESTACIONAMIENTO DISPONIBLE EN:

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAPTISTA: 12761 EUCLID ST.

CENTRO DE REUNIONES DE LA COMUNIDAD DE GARDEN GROVE: 11300 STANFORD AVE.

GARDEN GROVE HIGH SCHOOL: 11271 STANFORD AVE.

CENTRO DE EVEJECIMIENTO SALUDABLE: 11391 ACACIA PKWY.

DETRÁS DEL EDIFICIO UBICADO EN 11277 GARDEN GROVE BLVD.

STEELCRAFT: 12900 S. EUCLID ST.

PARA MÁS INFORMACIÓN: CRIMEPREVENTION@GGCITY.ORG | 714-741-5762

THAM GIA CÙNG SỞ CẢNH SÁT GARDEN GROVE

THỨ BA, NGÀY 1 THÁNG 8, 2023 | 5:00 CHIỀU - 8:00 TỐI

SỞ CẢNH SÁT GARDEN GROVE: 11301 ACACIA PARKWAY

CHƯƠNG TRÌNH MIỄN PHÍ, QUÀ TẶNG, TRÌNH DIỄN AN TOÀN CÔNG CỘNG, VÀ THÊM NỮA!

CHỖ ĐẬU XE CHO KHÁCH TẠI:

NHÀ THỜ FIRST BAPTIST: 12761 EUCLID ST.

TRUNG TÂM HỘI NGHỊ CỘNG ĐỒNG GARDEN GROVE: 11300 STANFORD AVE.

GARDEN GROVE HIGH SCHOOL: 11271 STANFORD AVE.

HEALTHY AGING CENTER: 11391 ACACIA PKWY.

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ĐỂ BIẾT THÊM THÔNG TIN: CRIMEPREVENTION@GGCITY.ORG | 714-741-5763

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 축제에서 만나요.

2023년 8월 1일 화요일 오후 5시 - 저녁 8시

가든 그로브 경찰서

11301 ACACIA PARKWAY

무료 이벤트, 라이브 데모, 경품 등

주차장:

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Hãy hưởng ứng Đại Hội Thánh Mẫu 2023 ‘Cùng Mẹ, Lên Đường’

Đức Giám Mục Thomas Nguyễn Thái Thành (bên phải), Giám Mục Phụ Tá Giáo Phận Orange, và Linh mục Thái Quốc Bảo, Trưởng Ban Tổ Chức Đại Hội Thánh Mẫu năm 2023, thăm tòa soạn báo Viễn Đông trưa thứ Tư, ngày 21 tháng 6, 2023. (Thanh Phong/Viễn Đông)

Đức Giám Mục Nguyễn Thái Thành và LM Thái Quốc Bảo thăm báo Viễn Đông, phổ biến Đại Hội Thánh Mẫu 2023 ‘Cùng Mẹ, Lên Đường’

Bài THANH PHONG

WESTMINSTER – Vào trưa thứ Tư, 21 tháng 6, Đức Giám Mục Thomas Nguyễn Thái Thành, Giám Mục Phụ Tá Giáo Phận Orange và Linh Mục Thái Quốc Bảo, Quản Đốc (Rector) Nhà Thờ Chính Tòa Giáo Phận Orange, Trưởng Ban Tổ Chức Đại Hội Thánh Mẫu năm 2023 đã đến thăm báo Viễn Đông để phổ biến và trả lời các câu hỏi về Đại Hội Thánh Mẫu lần thứ hai, một sự kiện rất quan trọng của giáo dân Việt Nam hải ngoại sắp diễn ra tại Linh Đài Đức Mẹ La Vang trong khuôn viên Nhà Thờ Chính Tòa Chúa Kitô, Giáo Phận Orange.

Viễn Đông (VD): Xin Đức Cha cho biết chủ đề của Đại Hội năm nay?

Đức Cha Thành: Ngày 17 tháng 7, 2021 chúng ta cử hành Lễ Thánh Hiến Linh Đài Đức Mẹ La Vang với chủ đề “Đón Mẹ Về Nhà.” Năm ngoái, Đại Hội Thánh Mẫu đầu tiên với chủ đề “Cùng Mẹ, Tạ Ôn Chúa,” và năm nay chúng ta chọn chủ đề “Cùng Mẹ, Lên Đường.”

VD: Ý nghĩa của chủ đề Cùng Mẹ, Lên Đường?

Đức Cha Thành: Đề tài này lấy trong Phúc Âm Thánh Luca, sau khi được Thiên Thần truyền tin, Đức Mẹ “Xin Vâng.” Sau khi xin vâng, Chúa Giêsu đã có ở trong cung lòng Mẹ Maria, và Mẹ vội vã lên đường đi thăm bà Isave. Một cách nào đó, Mẹ đem Chúa

Giêsu đến với bà Isave. Hình ảnh đó cho thấy Đức Mẹ đã mang sứ mạng truyền giáo, đem Chúa đến với bà Isave, nên trong Phúc Âm, Thánh Luca cho biết, không chỉ bà Isave mà cả đến Thánh Gioan Baotixita còn trong lòng bà cũng nhảy mừng. Chọn chủ đề này, chúng tôi hy vọng những người tham dự Đại Hội Thánh Mẫu năm nay cũng được niềm vui như bà thánh Isave và Thánh Gioan Tẩy Giả, để rồi theo Đức Mẹ Lên Đường, đem niềm vui của Chúa Kitô cho những người trong gia đình, những người chung quanh và những người ở nơi làm việc, những người chúng ta gặp gỡ trong cuộc sống hàng ngày của chúng ta.

VĐ: Là Trưởng Ban Tổ Chức, xin Cha Bảo cho biết về chương trình Đại Hội Thánh Mẫu lần thứ hai này.

Cha Bảo: Đại Hội Thánh Mẫu năm nay được tổ chức từ 5 giờ 30 chiều thứ Sáu, ngày 14 tháng 7, đến 9 giờ tối thứ Bảy, ngày 15 tháng 7. Cụ thể như sau: 5 giờ 30 chiều Thứ Sáu: Trước Linh Đài Đức Mẹ La Vang, tuyên bố khai mạc Đại Hội Thánh Mẫu, sau đó có tiết mục Thánh Ca đặc biệt do Youth Choir & Angelo Band đến từ Việt Nam. Tiếp theo, LM Nguyễn Khắc Hy, P.S.S. sẽ thuyết giảng đề tài “Noi gương Đức Mẹ Trên Con Đường Truyền Giáo.” Cùng lúc đó tại phòng Gym của trường học, cha Greg Boyle, S.J sẽ thuyết giảng bằng tiếng Anh cho giới trẻ.

Lúc 7 giờ đến 8 giờ 30 Đức Giám Mục Oscar Cantu (San Jose) sẽ chủ tế Thánh Lễ Khai Mạc (bằng tiếng Anh và thừa bằng tiếng Việt). Sau thánh lễ, ăn tối và chương trình văn nghệ đến 9PM. Từ 9PM tại phòng Gym giới trẻ sẽ tập trung cầu nguyện đến 11PM.

Qua ngày thứ Bảy lúc 8 giờ sáng Đức Cha Thomas Nguyễn Thái Thành sẽ chủ tế thánh lễ kính Đức Mẹ và có nghi thức đặt tay chữa lành đề qua lời bầu cử của Mẹ La Vang, Thánh cả Giuse chữa lành cho tất cả những bệnh nhân phần hồn và phần xác. LM Phạm Đức Thịnh, S.L.L. sẽ giảng trong thánh lễ. Cùng thời gian đó, trong thánh đường sẽ đặt Minh Thánh Chúa để châu Thánh Thể và có các linh mục ngồi tòa giải tội. Tại Arboretum, có Hội Thảo với đề tài “Giáo Huấn Của Giáo Hội đối với những vấn nạn hiện nay, (phần 1) do cha Nguyễn Khắc Hy phụ trách. Đức Ông Phạm Mạnh Cường, J.C.L sẽ thuyết trình đề tài “Những Thử Thách Trong Hôn Nhân.”

Tiết mục đặc biệt do Nhạc sĩ Lê Tín Hương trình bày “Phép Lạ Đức Mẹ Maria La Vang.” Sau đó, LM. Nguyễn Đình Anh Nhuệ, O.F.M Conv trình bày đề tài “Mẹ Maria – Mẫu Người Môn Đệ Truyền Giáo Theo Kinh Thánh.” Cùng giờ, trong phòng Gym có buổi hội thảo bằng Anh ngữ cho giới trẻ “The Discovery – Discover His calling” do Michael Ketterer phụ trách. Từ 11 giờ 30: Ăn trưa.

Lúc 1:30 đến 3:00PM có bốn cuộc Hội Thảo tại 4 phòng khác nhau do các cha Nguyễn Khắc Hy (Giáo Huấn của Giáo Hội...phần 2), Phạm Đức Thịnh (Thánh Lễ, Bí Tích Tình Yêu và Nguồn mạch đời sống Kitô hữu), Nguyễn Nam Thảo, S.J.PhD (Thông Điệp của Mẹ Maria Cho Cuộc Sống Hôm Nay) và Nguyễn Đình Anh Nhuệ (Mẹ Maria Và Sự Mạng Truyền Giáo Của Giáo Hội Ngày Nay).

Từ 1 giờ 30 trong phòng Gym sẽ có Hội Thảo cho giới trẻ bằng Anh ngữ với đề tài “The Calling – Calling of health relationship” do Emily Wilson phụ trách.

Từ 3 giờ Chuẩn bị rước kiệu: Năm nay thực hành lời kêu gọi của Đức Thánh Cha “Phục hồi lòng tôn sùng Thánh Thể” nên sẽ có rước kiệu Thánh Thể, trong đó có 1,000 em Thiếu Nhi Thánh Thể tham dự và kiệu Đức Mẹ xung quanh khuôn viên Nhà Thờ Chính Tòa Chúa Kitô. Khi kiệu về lại lễ đài có múa phụng vụ và thánh ca dẫn nhập. Lúc 7 giờ đến 9 giờ PM Thánh Lễ đại trà do Đức Giám Mục Kevin Vann chủ tế, Đức Cha Nguyễn Thái Thành giảng bằng song ngữ Việt – Anh. 9 giờ ăn tối, thưởng thức văn nghệ, xổ số và bế mạc lúc 11 giờ đêm. Tóm lại tất cả các thánh lễ đều cử hành tại Linh Đài Đức Mẹ trừ châu Thánh Thể trong thánh đường.

VD: Một tiết mục đặc biệt là có nữ nhạc sĩ Lê Tín Hương phụ trách một cuộc hội thảo. Xin Đức Cha cho biết một chút về sự kiện này.

Đức Cha Thành: Thông thường các cuộc hội thảo đều do một Linh mục phụ trách, lần này do một giáo dân là nhạc sĩ Lê Tín Hương. Câu chuyện của cô Lê Tín Hương chia sẻ rất u là cảm động, tôi đã được nghe rồi là câu chuyện Đức Mẹ La Vang ban phép lạ cho bố của cô, hồi đó không phải là người Công giáo, nhưng qua phép lạ nó đánh động tâm hồn khiến cả gia đình cô đã đến gặp linh mục xin Rửa Tội và gia nhập đạo Công Giáo, và ngày hôm nay nhạc sĩ Lê Tín Hương cũng lên đường như Đức Mẹ để rao truyền Tin Mừng cho mọi người xung quanh, nên người Công Giáo cũng nên noi gương nhạc sĩ Lê Tín Hương, lên đường chia sẻ đức tin của chúng ta và qua sự liên hệ với Đức Mẹ La Vang mà Giáo Hội ngày nay mong muốn giáo dân phải lên đường, cần phải truyền giáo, cần phải đem Tin Mừng đến với mọi người.

VD: Trong việc tổ chức một Đại Hội lớn lao như vậy, đòi hỏi phải có một ngân khoản lớn để trang trải chi phí. Làm cách nào để có đủ tiền trang trải?

Cha Bảo: [Có] tổ chức xổ số, vé số đã gửi về từng gia đình. Năm nay cũng gửi đến ba nơi Los Angeles, San Diego và Riverside nhờ tiêu thụ. Rất mong quý ông bà, anh chị mua giúp và gửi cuống vé về Ban Tổ Chức. Ngoài việc mua vé, chúng [tôi] cũng nhận sự đóng góp tùy lòng hảo tâm của quý ông bà, anh chị từ \$500, \$1,000 và nếu ai ủng hộ từ

\$3,000 trở lên sẽ được khắc tên tại Linh Đài Đức Mẹ. Vé còn bán tại 16 Cộng Đoàn VN trong Giáo Phận Orange và ba địa phương trên. Rất mong sự hưởng ứng của quý ông bà anh chị em.

VĐ: Xin Cha cho biết một vài thay đổi đặc biệt khác với Đại Hội lần đầu?

Cha Bảo: Rút kinh nghiệm lần trước, năm nay khu phục vụ ăn uống, khu gian hàng của các hội đoàn hay của các dòng tu sẽ gần chỗ Linh Đài hơn để tiện cho mọi người khi cần ăn, uống không phải đi xa.

VĐ: Một điều mọi người quan tâm là chỗ đậu xe, xin cha cho biết vấn đề này giải quyết cách nào?

Cha Bảo: Trong khuôn viên Nhà thờ Chính Tòa có một số chỗ đậu xe dành riêng cho các Cha, Phó Tế, tu sĩ, thiện nguyện viên và báo chí, truyền hình. Ban tổ chức mời các cơ quan truyền thông tham dự họp báo vào lúc 9 giờ sáng [thứ Tư] ngày 28 tháng 6. Trong cuộc họp báo sẽ phát thẻ báo chí và thẻ đậu xe. Chỉ những ai có thẻ này mới được vào đậu xe trong khuôn viên nhà thờ, và khi tham dự thánh lễ tại Linh Đài, Ban Tổ chức cũng dành riêng một chỗ riêng cho các cơ quan truyền thông gần lễ đài. Trong khi cử hành thánh lễ và rước kiệu, xin quý vị ở tại chỗ dành riêng. Sau thánh lễ, quý vị có thể đi lại phóng vấn tùy nghi.

Cũng xin nhờ báo Viễn Đông thông báo đến quý Cha, Phó Tế, nam nữ tu sĩ ở các nơi xa về tham dự xin vào trang mạng: <http://www.MELAVANGOC.ORG> để ban tổ chức gửi thẻ đậu xe không phải đậu ở 6 chỗ kia. Trên trang mạng có đầy đủ bản đồ chỗ đậu xe, lộ trình rước kiệu cũng như đầy đủ chi tiết về Đại Hội. Sáu địa điểm đậu xe trên đường Chapman và đường Lewis rất gần Linh Đài Đức Mẹ. Quý vị có thể đi chung xe hay đi xe riêng đến các chỗ đậu xe rồi có xe bus đưa vào Nhà Thờ Chính Tòa, cứ 15 phút một chuyến suốt từ 12 giờ trưa đến 11 giờ đêm Thứ Bảy. Quý vị có thể nhờ người nhà hay ube chở đến đó rồi xong lễ trở lại chỗ đó đưa người về nhà.

VĐ: Với trách nhiệm là Trưởng Ban Tổ Chức và ngày Đại Hội cũng gần kề, tâm trạng của Cha lúc này thế nào?

Cha Bảo: Vừa hồi hộp, vừa lo nhưng cũng mừng vì trong hai lần, Lễ Thánh Hiến Linh Đài và Đại Hội Thánh Mẫu lần đầu, Đức Cha đều cho con làm Phó Ban Tổ Chức nên cũng biết đường đi nước bước, lần này Đức Cha cử làm Trưởng Ban, con vừa lo, vừa mừng. Tuy nhiên Ban tổ chức rất hùng hậu gồm tám thành viên chớp bu, 30 thành viên

Ban Điều Hành, và mỗi Ban Điều Hành lại có thêm nhiều tiểu ban khác nữa. Cộng lại hết, từ các thành viên đến liên ca đoàn chúng con có trên 1,500 thiện nguyện viên nên con tin với ơn Chúa, ơn Đức Mẹ mọi việc sẽ tốt đẹp.

VĐ: Đại Hội lần này Đức Cha thấy có cần thay đổi điều gì không so với lần Đại Hội lần thứ nhất?

Đức Cha Thành: Lần đầu chúng ta tổ chức khá thành công, được trên 15 ngàn người tham dự và rất nhiều thiện nguyện viên giúp nên tôi thấy rất vui, rất mừng và hãnh diện vì được rất đông anh chị em thiện nguyện viên cộng tác. Tuy nhiên cũng cần sửa đổi vài khuyết điểm nhỏ, thứ nhất là khu thực phẩm ở xa chỗ giáo dân quá. Do đó, năm nay rút kinh nghiệm, tôi đề nghị chuyển Khu Thực Phẩm về gần hơn để tiện cho mọi người nhìn thấy và dễ dàng sử dụng, thứ hai, lần đầu mình chưa biết số lượng người tham dự nên giữa mình và chính quyền địa phương cũng có chút lấn cấn. Riêng về kiệu Thánh Thể, tôi tin rằng năm nay giao cho Liên Đoàn Thiếu Nhi Thánh Thể chắc chắn họ sẽ tổ chức tươm tất hơn.

VĐ: Để kết thúc buổi phỏng vấn, xin Đức Cha và Cha Quản Đốc gửi đôi lời nhắn nhủ đến giáo dân.

Đức Cha Thành: Trước hết tôi có lời cảm ơn Ban Giám Đốc Báo Viễn Đông đã cho tôi có lời chia sẻ này. Tôi lấy cái đề tài “Cùng Mẹ Lên Đường” thành ra bây giờ tôi với Cha Bảo đã đi đến Viễn Đông để “Lên Đường” đây, và xin quý vị cũng lên đường bằng cách cổ động, kêu gọi những người chung quanh, con cái, bạn bè và người xung quanh đi tham dự đông đảo. Nếu không thể đi hết hai ngày, tôi nghĩ cũng nên chú trọng đến nghi thức Rước Kiệu và Thánh Lễ đại trào chiều thứ Bảy. Cuối cùng, xin các vị cầu nguyện, mình tin tưởng vào sự quan phòng của Chúa, mình tin vào sự bầu cử của Mẹ Maria để cho hai ngày Đại Hội Thánh Mẫu được thành công, có thể là thời tiết tốt và không xảy ra tai nạn, đặc biệt là những chương trình hội thảo, thánh lễ đánh động nhiều tâm hồn đưa họ về với Chúa, và để họ được hưởng niềm vui như bà Isave và thánh Gioan Baotixita đã được Mẹ Thiên Chúa lên đường đến viếng thăm.

Cha Bảo: Cùng với Đức Cha Thành, con cảm ơn Ban Giám Đốc Báo Viễn Đông. Tiếp lời Đức Cha Thành, mỗi tháng chúng con họp hai lần và chúng con đầu tư chất xám rất nhiều nên chúng con hy vọng ông bà, anh chị em thí dụ một năm đi vacation ở đâu đó thì mình chọn một ngày rưỡi ở Linh Đài Đức Mẹ đây. Mình cứ coi như đi nghỉ với Chúa, với Mẹ, không đi thì uổng lắm; chúng con đã dành trọn năm lo việc này nên con tha thiết mời gọi quý ông bà, anh chị em đến tham dự Đại Hội Thánh Mẫu để được ơn Chúa, và cuối cùng con tin rằng nếu mình thành tâm đến khẩn, vái Đức Mẹ, Đức Mẹ sẽ chuyển lời và

Chúa sẽ ban ơn vì vào năm 1789, Đức Mẹ có hứa hễ ai tới Linh Đài Đức Mẹ tại La Vang (Huế) khẩn bất cứ điều gì cũng được Chúa ban. Nay mình không phải về Việt Nam vì mình đã có Linh Đài Đức Mẹ ở đây, Đức Mẹ ở đâu cũng là một Đức Mẹ nên đến với Đức Mẹ tại nhà thờ Chính Tòa, tại Giáo Phận Quận Cam, tại miền Nam California nắng ấm này thì xin gì Mẹ cũng ban. Một lần nữa, con xin cảm ơn Ban Giám Đốc Báo Viễn Đông và các nhân viên trong tòa soạn. Xin Chúa chúc lành cho quý báo.

(Xin nhắc lại: Cuộc họp báo để cấp Thẻ Báo Chí và Media Pad đậu xe cho truyền thông sẽ được tổ chức tại Nhà Thờ Chính Tòa lúc 9 giờ sáng thứ Tư, ngày 28 tháng 6.)



Đột nhập nhà và đâm người quen, một thanh niên Garden Grove bị bắt

GARDEN GROVE, California (NV) – Một thanh niên Garden Grove bị bắt với cáo buộc mưu sát sau khi đột nhập nhà phụ nữ mà anh quen biết và dùng dao đâm cô này, cảnh sát cho hay, theo nhật báo The Orange County Register hôm Thứ Năm, 13 Tháng Bảy.

Thanh niên 27 tuổi này “tự động vô” nhà người phụ nữ trong khu 12500 đường Lorna (gần ngã tư Lampson với Dale) trưa Thứ Tư, Sở Cảnh Sát Garden Grove (GGPD) ra thông báo cho biết.



(Hình minh họa: Garden Grove Police Department)

Nghi can đụng độ người phụ nữ và họ bắt đầu cãi nhau, rồi thanh niên này rút dao đe dọa cô, theo GGPD.

Khi nạn nhân cố bỏ chạy, nghi can chụp lấy cô, “dùng tay kẹp cổ nạn nhân và bắt đầu đâm cô tới tấp,” GGPD cho hay.

Cuối cùng, nghi can thả nạn nhân ra rồi tẩu thoát. Nạn nhân bị nhiều vết dao đâm trên người và mặt, GGPD cho biết.

Sau đó, điều tra viên GGPD tìm ra và bắt nghi can ở Westminster. Họ nói họ cũng tìm thấy con dao trên người nghi can giống với con dao nạn nhân cho hay được sử dụng trong vụ tấn công. Cảnh sát không nói rõ làm sao họ tìm ra nghi can.

Cảnh sát chưa công bố lý do nghi can tấn công nạn nhân, và cũng không nêu tên hai người này. Nghi can bị giam ở nhà tù Orange County, tiền thế chân tại ngoại \$500,000. **(Th.Long)**

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS
July 13, 2023

1. Calendar of Events
2. Meeting minutes for April 20, 2023 Planning Commission meeting.
3. Notice of Cancellation of the July 20, 2023 Garden Grove Zoning Administrator meeting.
4. League of California Cities articles from July 7, 2023 to July 13, 2023.
5. SCAG Regional Council Newsletter

GARDEN GROVE PLANNING COMMISSION
Community Meeting Center
11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, CA 92840

Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 20, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioner Arbgast
Commissioner Cunningham
Commissioner Lindsay
Commissioner Montano
Commissioner Paredes
Commissioner Perez
Commissioner Ramirez

Absent: Montano, Perez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Commissioner Paredes

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC – None

April 6, 2023 MINUTES:

Action: Received and filed.

Motion: Ramirez Second: Arbgast

Ayes: (5) Arbgast, Cunningham, Lindsay, Paredes, Ramirez

Noes: (0) None

Absent: (2) Montano, Perez

PUBLIC HEARING – CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-233-2023 FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LAMPSON AVENUE AND 9TH STREET AT 12432 9TH STREET.

Applicant: SMARTLINK C/O AT&T MOBILITY

Date: April 20, 2023

Request: A request for Conditional Use Permit approval to allow the construction and operation of a 60'-0" tall, unmanned, wireless telecommunication facility disguised as a eucalyptus tree (mono-eucalyptus), along with a 375 square foot (25 feet x 15 feet) equipment enclosure, to be located on a site currently improved with a church, St. Olaf Church. The site is in the R-1 (Single-Family Residential) zone. In conjunction with the

request, the Planning Commission will also consider a determination that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15303(c) – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures – of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Action: On April 19, 2023, staff received a letter from the property owner withdrawing their authorization for Conditional Use Permit No. CUP-233-2023, and on April 20, 2023, the applicant submitted a request to officially withdraw the application from the Planning Commission agenda. Staff withdrew the item.

PUBLIC HEARING – CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-238-2023 FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF WESTMINSTER AVENUE AND EUCLID STREET AT 10882-B WESTMINSTER AVENUE.

Applicant: PAUL PHAM
Date: April 20, 2023

Request: A request for Conditional Use Permit approval to operate a new billiards/pool hall at an existing 3,038 square foot tenant space. The billiard/pool hall formerly operated at 10902 Westminster Avenue, however, the business owner proposes to relocate the business to a new, smaller tenant space within the same shopping center. The site is in the C-2 (Community Commercial) zone. In conjunction with the request, the Planning Commission will also consider a determination that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301 – Existing Facilities – of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Action: Resolution No. 6061-23 was approved.

Motion: Cunningham Second: Arbgast

Ayes: (5) Arbgast, Cunningham, Lindsay, Paredes, Ramirez
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (2) Montano, Perez

MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS: None.

MATTERS FROM STAFF: Staff stated the May 4th and 18th meetings would be cancelled.

ADJOURNMENT: At 7:20 p.m. to the next Meeting of the Garden Grove Planning Commission on Thursday, June 1, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove.

_____ Judith Moore, Recording Secretary



GARDEN GROVE

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION
OF THE
GARDEN GROVE PLANNING COMMISSION
JULY 20, 2023
REGULAR MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Regular Meeting of the Garden Grove Planning Commission scheduled for Thursday, July 20, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, is hereby cancelled.

DATED: July 13, 2023

JOSH LINDSAY
CHAIR



California Supreme Court poised to resolve key voting rights case

Jul 12, 2023

The California Supreme Court is months away from resolving a multiyear legal saga over Santa Monica's election system. The case, *Pico Neighborhood Association v. City of Santa Monica*, centers on whether the city's at-large election system dilutes the voting power of Latino voters. The plaintiffs allege that the current system is a violation of the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA) and that the city should move to district-based elections.

The League of California Cities earlier filed an [amicus brief](#) in support of the city, urging the court to provide a clear standard for cities to follow. The court heard oral arguments at the end of June and is expected to issue an opinion by the end of September.

Case background

The CVRA prohibits local at-large election systems that prevent minority voters from electing candidates of their choice or influencing an election. In the Pico case, plaintiffs demonstrated that Latino voters could obtain 30% voting power in one district using district voting as opposed to 14% under the current system.

The trial court ruled in favor of the plaintiffs and ordered the city to switch to by-district elections. The court noted that although Latino voters generally prefer Latino candidates, only one Latino had been elected to the city council since 1946.

The city appealed, arguing the trial court misapplied the CVRA's legal standard. The Court of Appeal reversed the trial court's ruling, determining that vote dilution requires evidence that changing a voting system is likely to make a difference in election results. The court noted that 30% is not enough to elect someone to the city council using either election system.

The California Supreme Court granted a review of the case and ordered a briefing on what a plaintiff must prove to establish vote dilution. The plaintiffs argued that vote dilution is established by proof of racially polarized voting alone or in combination with historical, socioeconomic, and political factors. Therefore, one would only need to show that a different electoral system would give minority voters the ability to elect their preferred candidates or influence election outcomes.

The city argued a plaintiff must prove a legally significant pattern of racially polarized voting and demonstrate minority voters would have a greater opportunity to elect candidates of their choice under a different electoral system.

Cal Cities' arguments

Cal Cities and the California Special Districts Association (CSDA) filed an amicus brief observing that both election methods can provide for effective and democratic local governance that supports the CVRA. The brief provided several reasons why cities may prefer a particular election method.

The brief urged the court to provide a clear, administrable standard that allows cities to choose the election system that best fits their community without fear of unjustified litigation, noting that many cities have already switched to district elections out of fear of threatened litigation. The brief also highlighted the impact to cities if the court adopts the plaintiffs' standard for vote dilution, stating that smaller cities may have difficulty attracting candidates and achieving competitive races.

The Supreme Court now has 90 days to issue an opinion.

Derek P. Cole with Cole Huber LLC authored the Cal Cities and CSDA amicus brief.



Cal Cities-sponsored bill allowing first city council pay cap increase since 1984 signed into law

Jul 12, 2023

Gov. Gavin Newsom [signed](#) a bill into law that will allow general law cities to adjust council member salaries for inflation for the first time in almost four decades. The measure is one of several [sponsored by the League of California Cities](#) this session. [SB 329 \(Dodd\)](#) will allow city councils to adjust their pay to reflect inflation as measured by the California Consumer Price Index. Any increases would require a majority vote of the city councils.

Government officials, policy experts, and activists often cite low compensation as a barrier to elected office.

“My priority is always the same — to make life better for Californians,” [Sen. Bill Dodd said](#). “That’s the goal of my latest bill, which will remove barriers to achieving more equitable representation in local government by making it easier for public servants to balance careers and personal obligations.”

Currently, city councils in general law cities may vote to receive a limited salary, not to exceed caps based on population size provided in state law. They can also increase their salary annually. This limited mechanism does not always allow salaries to stay in line with inflation.

In previous decades, the Legislature updated these numbers for inflation. These amounts have not been adjusted since 1984 despite an over 300% increase in the cost of living.

Lengthy time commitments and limited pay discourage many residents from running for office, especially low-income residents, single parents, people of color, and young people. Some council members have even [resigned before their terms expired](#) because they could not devote time to council service and support their families.

SB 329 is an acknowledgment of the important work of local governments, as well as the time and dedication that public service requires. The bill was also supported by the California branch of the NAACP.



Four lessons from Santa Rosa's waste-to-energy electric bus program

Jul 12, 2023

#LocalWorks

Every time someone flushes a toilet in Santa Rosa, they're indirectly powering one of the city's electric buses. Wastewater travels to the Laguna Treatment Plant, where it is then treated, recycled, and sent to a nearby geothermal energy plant. That plant powers the city's charging infrastructure.



Of course, not every city has access to the world's largest geothermal field. However, every transit agency in California will need to transition to a [zero-emission fleet](#) starting in 2024. Here's what Santa Rosa officials learned about electric buses while building on a decades-old commitment to climate action.

Find passionate people

Santa Rosa has long been a climate action leader. The city met its ambitious [2005 greenhouse gas reduction goals](#) and reaffirmed its commitment to further cuts with a [2020 Climate Emergency Resolution](#). It is also one of the largest cities to ban the construction and expansion of gas stations.

Officials enacted many of these policies in response to health and safety concerns. The city was the site of the devastating Tubbs Fire in 2017 and local reservoirs dropped to all-time lows during the recent drought.

“Many of the folks here were impacted substantially by things like fire [and] power outages,” said Peter Martin, the city’s deputy director of water resources. “Having some of the most destructive fires occur right in the heart of Santa Rosa, really brings home [the fact] that many people here have been impacted by climate change firsthand.”

Leverage small changes

One of the easiest ways a city can reduce emissions is by switching to renewable energy. In 2019, Santa Rosa piloted a [community choice aggregation](#) program using one of the biggest energy users: the Santa Rosa Water Department. Collecting, treating, and moving water is an energy-intensive process and can account for 30-40% of a local government’s [total energy consumption](#).

That number is closer to 50% for Santa Rosa. But it also treats water for nearby cities and unincorporated parts of Sonoma County, bringing the department’s total energy consumption share to approximately 75%.

It took just three months to switch city operations to Sonoma Clean Power’s [100% renewable energy program](#). “It’s much like flipping a switch, that we’re able to have our energy become 100% green, as opposed to the time [and capital] it takes with ... renewable energy projects,” said Tasha Wright, the water department sustainability coordinator.



The city sends recycled water instead of drinkable water to recharge the nearby geothermal beds, which provide a substantial portion of Sonoma Clean Power’s renewable energy. The city also provides recycled water to farmers for irrigation and urban reuse customers in Santa Rosa and Rohnert Park.

During most years, the city reuses 100% of the recycled water produced at the Laguna Treatment Plant. In fact, the city has decreased overall water usage by 14% since 1990 despite a 57% increase in population.

Thanks in part to the geothermal plant, Santa Rosa is one of the few cities on track to beat the state’s clean-energy goals. That energy keeps the city buses rolling and allows the city to thoughtfully pursue other clean energy projects.

Invest in grants and partnerships

At full operation, the city has 29 buses in its fleet. Four of those buses are now electric and the city has received funding for 17 more. Each bus costs \$1.2 million before vouchers or rebates. The city can currently charge up to 10 buses but plans to build more charging infrastructure.

The self-funded transit agency pulled together a mosaic of grants to fund the transition. “This is expensive,” said Rachel Ede, the deputy director of transportation and public works. “Between developing the charging infrastructure and the additional costs of the vehicles, there is no one funding source that's going to get you there. For agencies and organizations that want to be very aggressive in the transition, it's going to take a real menu of funding options to get there. And probably multiple different applications.”

The transportation sector is one of the [largest contributors to total greenhouse gas emissions](#). Slashing tailpipe pollution — assuming supporting policies and infrastructure are in place — will dramatically lower emissions. And on the surface, an electric bus is the same as a diesel bus. It has wheels and it rolls. In theory, it's an easy switch. But cities face three key challenges that consumers do not. For starters, the technology simply does not exist for most municipal vehicles. For the technology that does exist — like electric buses — there are few qualified service technicians.

“It basically makes the people who used to change the tires a full-blown electrician — it's completely different,” said Fleet Superintendent Zach Brand. “We've been working on training our staff for a couple of years, and if you're not from the factory and getting factory training, you are struggling to find the right training, the right people, and the right tools to work on this stuff.”



Sometimes, these problems can be quickly fixed. Officials had some concerns about the range of the buses, which they resolved by “purchasing the biggest batteries we could” according to Ede.

However, there are no agreed-upon standards for electric vehicles. Every vehicle is custom-made, so everything is solved through trial and error. Consequently, advance planning and partnerships with local energy providers, manufacturers, and other agencies are critical to success. Taking a phased-in approach and leveraging lessons learned from other agencies is also important.

“It’s worth the time and investment to get some technical assistance and do some feasibility planning and really lay out the steps both on the charging infrastructure side and vehicle procurement side to make sure that there is the overall capacity to deliver the program,” Ede said.

[An electrifying future](#)

These challenges are not going away. Cities will likely face the same issues once the technology becomes available for other fleet vehicles, such as dump trucks. Santa Rosa will need more charging facilities, energy, and resiliency measures to fully electrify its fleet. The city will also need to make tough choices about who gets to charge first and when.

However, staff are excited about the transition. It’s the right thing to do, residents want it, and the city is on track to exceed the state’s climate goals thanks to the geothermal field. It would not be the first time Santa Rosa has led the way with its climate programs.

The only question is will they get the funding and support needed to succeed?

The Cal Cities #LocalWorks initiative shines the spotlight on examples of local actions that are making a difference to their communities. Show how #LocalWorks in your community by contacting communications@calcities.org.



State Bills in Brief: July 12-14

Jul 12, 2023

A weekly primer on the bills and committee hearings that have a direct impact on cities
Friday is the last day for lawmakers to get their bills through policy committees. Those that don't will have to try again next year. Although most measures made it through with little fanfare, there were a few, potentially blistering moments.

For a few hours, it seemed like [SB 423 \(Wiener\)](#) would die in the Assembly Natural Resources committee. The Cal Cities-opposed bill would expand [SB 35 \(Wiener, 2017\)](#) to all cities. The law forces certain cities to approve certain multifamily housing projects. Environmental groups, the California Coastal Commission, and Assembly Natural Resources Committee Chairperson Luz Rivas worried that the bill did not do enough to protect coastal developments from floods and fires.

Sen. Wiener agreed to revise the bill's language and the measure passed over the chair's objections — a rarity in California politics. The changes did not address Cal Cities' concerns.

[SB 43 \(Eggman\)](#), a measure that would update the definition of “gravely disabled” and make it easier to provide behavioral health care, passed out of the Assembly Judiciary Committee — arguably the bill's biggest hurdle so far. Cal Cities supports the bill. Sen. Eggman introduced a similar measure last year, which ultimately died in the same committee.

Another Cal Cities-supported measure by Sen. Eggman, [SB 363](#), moved to the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would create a real-time dashboard of available beds in psychiatric and substance abuse facilities respectively. SB 363 still faces an uphill battle; a similar measure died in Assembly Appropriations last year. Both bills are also supported by a range of organizations, including the Big Cities Mayors coalition and mental health care advocates.

Barring a second [suspense file](#) in September, this is the last State Bills in Brief for 2023. To stay updated on floor votes and any bills that make it to Gov. Gavin Newsom's desk, [subscribe to Cal Cities Advocate](#). Cal Cities will also hold a [July 19 briefing](#) on the remaining priority bills and how city officials can ensure cities are heard loud and clear in the last four weeks of the legislative session.

To learn more about bills scheduled for committee hearings through July 14, keep reading. To learn what each section means — or to access a previous State Bills in Brief — visit the [archive page](#).

[Bills to act on](#)

With the state budget officially signed, Cal Cities has turned its attention to other possible funding sources for affordable housing.

Cal Cities rallies behind a \$10 billion affordable housing bond

- **A critical moment.** [AB 1657 \(Wicks\)](#) would provide much-needed funding for affordable housing. The state's flagship Multifamily Housing Program was oversubscribed ten to one during the last round of funding. *Cal Cities supports the measure.*
- **Now is the time to invest.** With the slowing economy, stubbornly high inflation, and the heightened threat of an economic recession, Californians are at more risk than ever of losing their home.
- **When is the hearing?** The Senate Governance and Finance Committee will hear the bill on July 12.

AB 1484 would create a myriad of unintended and unpredictable consequences for temporary and regular employees

- **What does the bill do?** [AB 1484 \(Zbur\)](#) would create an overly broad definition of "temporary employee," introduce inconsistencies in the union bargaining process, and conflict with existing law for permanent employees. *Cal Cities opposes the measure.*
- **Why do agencies need temporary employees?** Temporary employees are just that: temporary! Cities frequently rely on nurses, election workers, lifeguards, and mosquito control technicians to meet seasonal or surge needs.
- **When is the hearing?** Lawmakers will hear AB 1484 on July 12 in the Labor, Public Employment, and Retirement Committee.

Other bills with major impacts

With just three days to spare, legislators heard measures related to affordable housing, public safety, and recycling on Wednesday.

More money for homelessness and affordable housing?

- **Where is this money coming from?** [AB 531 \(Irwin\)](#) is one of three bills that would collectively provide over \$25 billion in bonds for affordable housing and supportive services. *Cal Cities supports the measure in concept.*
- **Why it matters.** Long-term problems require long-term solutions. If voters approved all three bonds, the measures would provide twice the funding included in the 2022 State Budget for similar programs.
- **When is the hearing?** Legislators will debate the bill on July 12 in the Senate Governance and Finance Committee.

Proposed state housing construction agency could bypass state housing laws and local standards

- **What is the bill number?** [AB 309 \(Lee\)](#) would create a state agency that could construct and lease affordable housing. Although the intent is laudable, *Cal Cities opposes the measure unless it is amended.*
- **What changes is Cal Cities seeking?** Like many recent housing laws, the bill disregards the state's own mandated housing planning process and laws. Cal Cities is seeking amendments that would require the agency to follow all local zoning and objective development standards.

- **When is the hearing?** Lawmakers will hear the bill on July 12 in the Senate Governance and Finance Committee.

Cal Cities-sponsored measure would enshrine cities' right to deliver emergency medical services

- **How is this even an issue?** [AB 1168 \(Bennett\)](#) would reconcile *City of Oxnard v. County of Ventura*, which ruled that Oxnard lost its authority to provide prehospital EMS after signing a joint powers authority agreement (JPA) with the county.
- **Why is local control important here?** Signatories to JPA agreements should not lose their rights because they cooperated with other public agencies to provide better service to residents.
- **When is the hearing?** The Senate Governance Committee will hear the measure on July 12.

Bill seeks to reduce drug-related recidivism

- **A voluntary program.** [AB 1360 \(McCarty\)](#) would create a pilot program that would help people suffering from substance use disorders from cycling in and out of the criminal justice system with no clear path to treatment. *Cal Cities supports AB 1360.*
- **Why it matters.** According to the National Institute of Health and the National Institute for Drug Abuse, an estimated 65% of people in U.S. prisons and jails have an active substance use disorder (SUD). Another 20% did not meet the official criteria for a SUD but were under the influence of drugs or alcohol at the time of the crime.
- **When is the hearing?** Legislators will debate AB 1360 on July 12 in the Senate Health Committee.

AB 573 would increase flexibility for organic waste procurement

- **What sort of flexibility is being proposed?** It's narrow but important. [AB 573 \(Garcia\)](#) would allow some cities to send organic waste to out-of-state compost facilities to meet their [SB 1383 \(Lara, 2016\)](#) procurement requirements. *Cal Cities supports the measure.*
- **Why do cities need this?** Some cities, especially rural and border cities, must purchase and deliver compost hundreds of miles to comply with the law. This drives up both greenhouse gas emissions and ratepayer costs. The state needs 50-100 new facilities for SB 1383 to be successful, which are several years away from becoming a reality.
- **When is the hearing?** Lawmakers will hear AB 573 in the Senate Environmental Quality Committee on July 12.

AB 1526 clarifies how cities would be reimbursed under last year's single-use plastics law

- **What does the law do?** [SB 54 \(Allen, 2022\)](#) established a program for collecting, managing, and recycling single-use packaging and single-use plastic food service ware.
- **Why do we need a second bill?** Timing and scheduling constraints prevented agreed-upon language from making it into the final bill. [AB 1526 \(Committee on Natural Resources\)](#) clarifies the funding process and provides some flexibility around curbside collection. *Cal Cities supports AB 1526.*
- **When is the hearing?** The Senate Environmental Quality Committee will discuss the bill on July 12.

[View all bills to act on](#)

[View all tracked bill hearings](#)



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 13, 2023 – August 3, 2023

Thursday	July 13	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting, CMC CANCELLED
			\$2 Casual Dress Day
		5:30 p.m.	Parks, Recreation and Arts Commission Meeting, CMC
		6:30 p.m.	Summer Concert in the Park – Tijuana Dogs Eastgate Park, 12001 St. Mark St.
Friday	July 14		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Thursday	July 20	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC CANCELLED
		6:30 p.m.	Summer Concert in the Park – Britain’s Finest Eastgate Park, 12001 St. Mark St.
Tuesday	July 25	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Housing Authority, CMC Sanitary District Board, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC
Thursday	July 27	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting, CMC
			\$2 Casual Dress Day
		6:30 p.m.	Summer Concert in the Park – Smith Eastgate Park, 12001 St. Mark St.
Friday	July 28		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	August 1	5:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.	40 th Annual National Night Out Garden Grove Police Department 11301 Acacia Pkwy
Thursday	August 3	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
		6:30 p.m.	Summer Concert in the Park – Stevie Nicks Illusion Eastgate Park, 12001 St. Mark St.



SCAG Receives \$237M in REAP 2.0 Funding, Allocates \$80M to Innovative Transportation Projects



The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) [formally awarded SCAG \\$237 million](#) in Regional Early Action Planning 2.0 grants earlier this week to accelerate progress toward state housing goals and climate commitments through a strengthened partnership between the state, its regions and local entities.

To kickstart the allocation of funds, SCAG launched the [County Transportation Commission Partnership Program](#) as the first Call for Applications within the REAP 2.0 grant program. This program provided a platform for the county transportation commissions in the SCAG region to submit proposals for innovative projects that align with the grant's objectives. The SCAG Regional Council on Thursday, July 6, approved the allocation of \$80 million to support 33 transportation and land-use projects across Southern California that advance sustainable communities.

To learn more about these awards, REAP 2.0 and other funding opportunities, please visit scag.ca.gov/reap2021.

REMINDER: NOFA Call for Applications are Due July 31

The applications for the [Notice of Funding Available \(NOFA\) For Lasting Affordability](#) Call for Applications are **due Monday, July 31 at 5 p.m.** This is a competitive Call for Applications, with an estimated budget of \$45 million available through REAP 2.0. This program will award funding for projects in any of the following categories that meet the infill definition:

- Consulting assistance and funding to establish or enhance the impact of housing trust funds, community land trusts, catalyst funds or revolving funds, with the goal of aiding non-profit organizations in providing and maintaining affordable housing at a regional scale.
- Actions and projects can include developing or increasing organizational capacity for a trust or fund including developing or expanding existing loan products or funding tools to fund eligible activities outlined in the Programs to Accelerate Transformative Housing (PATH) program guidelines.

To access the application and other resources, visit scag.ca.gov/programs-accelerate-transformative-housing-path. You may also email housing@scag.ca.gov with any additional questions.

HCD's Prohousing Incentive Pilot Program: SCAG Jurisdiction Highlights



Three SCAG cities lead the region's prohousing efforts as they receive part of \$33 million in funds from HCD's Prohousing Incentive Pilot (PIP) Program along with 15 other jurisdictions: City of Riverside received \$2,440,000; City of Needles received \$445,000; and City of Los Angeles received \$4,900,000. PIP awardees will utilize these funds for activities such as promoting housing construction near transit, catalyzing local housing trust funds, down payment assistance for

low- and moderate-income households, and much more.

Assistant City Manager and Development Services Director for the City of Needles, Patrick Martinez, stated, “The City of Needles is proud of its Prohousing Designation and would like to thank Colin Drukker of Placeworks and Gwendy Silver of SCANPH through [SCAG’s REAP technical assistance program](#) for assisting with our Prohousing and PIP applications.” Martinez stated that he looks forward to combining these funds with the city’s streamlined permitting process, affordable land costs, low energy rates and economic development grant program to attract homebuilders and “build some housing for our residents.”

Jurisdictions that achieved HCD’s Prohousing Designation were eligible for the PIP Program as well as additional funding, points, and other scoring preferences when applying to competitive housing, community development, and infrastructure programs such as [Affordable Housing & Sustainable Communities \(AHSC\)](#), [Infill Infrastructure Grant \(IIG\)](#), [Transformative Climate Communities \(TCC\)](#), [Solutions for Congested Corridors](#), [Local Partnership Program](#), and [Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program \(TIRCP\)](#). Additional SCAG jurisdictions working towards this exclusive designation include the cities of Adelanto, Inglewood, Long Beach, Moreno Valley, Placentia, Rancho Cucamonga and Santa Monica, and the County of Los Angeles.

[Housing supportive grant application technical assistance](#) offered through SCAG’s REAP grant is still available for jurisdictions in need of additional support to apply for these programs and more. To learn more about the available programs, email housing@scag.ca.gov for more information.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

REGISTER NOW! July Housing Working Group Meeting

SCAG will convene its next [Housing Working Group](#) on Tuesday, July 18 from 10 a.m. to noon. The meetings are designed to engage stakeholders on several

housing-related priorities and share housing program updates and new tools. The July 18 agenda will include a presentation on the Coachella Valley Association of Governments' (CVAG) REAP-funded partnership with Lift To Rise on an Affordable Housing Catalyst Fund Investment Plan and updates on adopted housing elements in the region.

[Click here](#) to register for the July Housing Working Group.

SAVE THE DATE! Special CEHD Meeting on August 16

The [Community, Economic, and Human Development \(CEHD\) Committee](#) will hold a special meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 16, from 9:30 a.m. to noon. Draft recommendations for Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) reform based on comments and feedback from stakeholders throughout the 6th cycle RHNA and RHNA reform outreach in summer 2022 and late spring 2023 will be included in the agenda.

After review and recommendation by the CEHD Committee, the draft recommendations will be forwarded to the Regional Council. Pending approval, the recommendations will be used to inform a comment letter prepared by SCAG staff to HCD, which will be submitted by mid-September as part of their statewide RHNA reform engagement. HCD is required by statute to submit its recommendations on RHNA reform to the State Legislature by Dec. 31, 2023.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Opportunity Framework Survey

HCD invites stakeholders to share their vision and goals for state-level Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) efforts through a [comprehensive survey](#). The survey will close Wednesday, July 14.

[Click here](#) to learn more about the survey and HCD's AFFH efforts.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE MEETING



INFORMATION **SCAG AWARDED \$237 MILLION FOR REAP 2.0**

The Department of Housing and Community Development has officially approved SCAG's full funding application, [awarding SCAG with more than \\$237 million in REAP 2.0 funds](#).

The REAP 2.0 program is a flexible program to accelerate progress toward state housing goals and climate commitments through partnership between the state, its regions and local entities. SCAG will sub-allocate REAP 2.0 funds to eligible partners in the SCAG region through calls for applications. For more information, visit scag.ca.gov/reap2021.

ACTION **REGIONAL COUNCIL ADOPTS UPDATED POLICY FRAMEWORK FOR CONNECT SOCAL 2024**

The Regional Council today adopted an updated Policy Framework for Connect SoCal 2024 – the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy – which advances regional priorities and confirms the direction for Connect SoCal 2024 in advance of a draft plan release in October 2023.

SCAG's Regional Council in June 2022 adopted a Policy Development Framework for Connect SoCal 2024, which outlined the draft vision and goals for the plan, identified key policy priorities and outlined the strategies for advancing those policies through

the three Connect SoCal 2024 subcommittees that concluded in spring 2023.

The special Connect SoCal 2024 subcommittees dug deeper into three topics: Next Generation Infrastructure, Resilience and Conservation, and Racial Equity and Regional Planning. The updated Policy Framework reflects elements of direction and feedback received from the subcommittees over the past year.

ACTION REGIONAL COUNCIL APPROVES COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION PROGRAM AWARD LIST

The Regional Council today approved funding recommendations for the County Transportation Commission (CTC) Partnership Program, an \$80 million competitive program developed in close partnership with CTCs in the SCAG region. The program is made possible by the recently approved REAP 2.0 funding. Through this program, SCAG will fund 33 transformative planning and implementation projects that expand access, increase mobility and bring jobs and housing closer together to achieve a more sustainable growth pattern across the region.

Project awards are split across three eligible projects categories:

- \$35 million invested in projects that increase transit ridership
- \$36 million invested in multimodal communities projects
- \$9 million invested in projects to shift travel behavior

[Click here to learn more about the CTC Partnership Program and the program awardees.](#)

NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT

EXECUTIVE/ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE CONVENES FOR 2023-24 STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION

SCAG Regional Council President Art Brown convened the Executive/Administration Committee on June 29 for a two-day work planning session in Buena Park. During the session, committee members reflected on the past year and discussed strategic planning for the year ahead. The 2023-24 Strategic Plan involves working toward innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians, including becoming the foremost data information hub for the region, advancing planning regional priorities through increased advocacy and more.



GO HUMAN DEMONSTRATES SAFE STREETS IN BUENA PARK

SCAG Regional Council President Art Brown and Executive Director Kome Ajise attended the Buena Park Food Truck Festival on June 23. At the event, the City of Buena Park, in partnership with *Go Human*, hosted a Kit of Parts demonstration, showcasing a pop-up parklet, bike lane, artistic crosswalk and curb extension. The demonstration showed how infrastructure can improve bicyclist and pedestrian safety.

To learn more about SCAG's *Go Human* program, visit scag.ca.gov/go-human.

NEWS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

MULTIPLE CALLS FOR APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR PROGRAMS TO ACCELERATE TRANSFORMATIVE HOUSING

Calls for Applications are now open for two of three funding areas in the recently approved REAP 2.0 Programs to Accelerate Transformative Housing (PATH):

- **The Housing Infill on Public and Private Lands (HIPP) Pilot Program** is focused on the development of affordable housing at scale on available public and private land as well as development and implementation of corridor-wide or area-wide regulatory infill housing actions. The HIPP program applications are **due by July 10**.
- **The Notice of Funding Available (NOFA) for Lasting Affordability** provides support for innovative housing finance, trust funds, catalyst funds and new permanent funding sources. The NOFA for Lasting Affordability applications are **due by July 31**.

The Call for Applications for the third PATH funding area, Regional Utilities Supporting Housing, is expected to be released in late summer 2023. [Click here for more information on all PATH funding areas.](#)

SCAG RECEIVES APPROVAL OF CONFORMITY DETERMINATION

The Regional Council in June adopted Connect SoCal Amendment No. 3 and the 2023 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Consistency Amendment, including the associated conformity analysis. SCAG has since received accelerated federal final approval of the conformity determination.

With this approval, \$26 billion worth of important transportation projects in the Connect SoCal and FTIP Amendments can now move forward. Thank you to Caltrans, the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration for expedited review and approval of the conformity determination.

SCAG AWARDED LOCAL AGENCY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT TO EXPAND BROADBAND

The California Public Utilities Commission approved SCAG's \$1 million Local Agency Technical Assistance Grant (LATA) on June 29. LATA grants support local agencies and tribes in their efforts to expand broadband service to unserved and underserved Californians.

The funding enables SCAG to advance up to three broadband projects in unserved or underserved areas. SCAG will collaborate with local jurisdictions that were unable to apply for funding or lacked the resources to engage a consultant or manage the project themselves.

The full July Executive Director's Report is available here: scag.ca.gov/edr-july-23.

34TH ANNUAL DEMOGRAPHIC WORKSHOP

THE SEISMIC GENERATIONAL SHIFT

Sept. 20, 2023 | 9 a.m.
In-Person & Online



Registration Opens July 11

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